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## MARGINAL COLUMN

By BRAYA SHAPIRO

MANY, if not most, of the problems which this country faces would be solved did the village today enjoy social recognition he had in the Yishuv 20 years ago.

INDEED, until the War of Independence the Kibbutz was considered to have the highest standing among those who matter. Even in Jerusalem, where the presence of the British Administration favoured a streak of silly Levantinism (so liked by the Arabs), a man in shorts and an open shirt felt that he belonged to the ruling class between Jaffa Road and Roma.

FOR it went without saying in the first 50 years of Zionism that the regeneration of the Jewish people would come through the return to agriculture. Many of the best minds of the people were turned to efforts to find means and make plants grow on arid soil. A man who forsook the town for the land was a national hero. Those who were left behind often felt humiliated and ashamed.

THE fact that life in many of the old kibbutzim is more comfortable today than Tel Aviv was 20 years ago is often stressed by people who never believed in settlement by idealists. Many members who perform public duties are seen in town living on town standards which a normal villager would not be able to afford. But the story is seldom told of not-so-young people who spent their lives just doing the impossible: working in the field.

BUT the field-workers, whether kibbutzniks or mohavniks, or any sort of farmers, are not looked up to the same way any longer. And because that is so, nobody in their senses would encourage their boy or girl to become a plain farmer of any sort. Much less does a man think of leaving even a precarious job in town to isolate himself even in a suburban farm. The analogy with the kibbutz is too close to show that an Israeli, even if he lives in the most comfortable section of Tel Aviv or Herzliya, is a pioneer. He is at it, may be, for a few years, and needs badly, is a large and prosperous rural population as widely spread out as possible.

A MUCH larger state than Israel once collapsed because its rural population dwindled dangerously, while the townspeople increased out of all proportion. That was Rome, no less than Imperial Rome. Prof. Arthur E. R. Boak, of Michigan, prepared a series of lectures some years ago to prove that the downfall of the Roman Empire in the West was due to manpower shortage (the lectures appeared last year at the Michigan University Press). More especially, Prof. Boak says, was this the outcome of the imperial policy of burdening the villager with taxes, while the townspeople was always sure of getting at least his pension or citizenship free. Combined with plagues and enemy attacks, the life of the villager became too unattractive and many villages were abandoned. When the Asiatics struck in force, there was nobody to stop them.

APPEALS to the feelings yield little response. Little, that is, by comparison with the needs of a mass ruralization. The idealists may make the effort, but the mass of the villager will only respond either to compulsion or to simple self-interest. Compulsion is unthinkable here; remains only the profit motive.

ANY village within five kilometers of the demarcation lines deserves to be the pampered child of the nation. He should get a better house than his friend in town can ever hope for. He should pay less taxes. He should have more opportunity to study. He should have the benefit of good roads, electricity, and, above all, he must be honoured.

TEL Avivian will be as good as other citizens in defending this country against the threatening Arab encroachment. But it will be the villages, not Tel Aviv, which will save the state.

TYPHOON KILLS FIVE IN NORTHERN FORMOSA (TAIPEI, Monday (Reuter). — Typhoon "Freda" killed five persons, injured nine and left 4,000 homeless when she swept across northern Formosa yesterday, according to police reports today. The storm passed south of Taipei, and moved out into the Formosa Straits last night, where it was apparently blowing itself out.

## Russia Offers, China Wants Further Aid

PEKING, Monday. — Mr. Anastas Mikoyan, Soviet Deputy Premier, told the Congress of the Chinese Communist Party today that China could depend on Soviet help in building up her country.

Speaking on the third day of the Congress currently meeting here, Mr. Mikoyan said that Soviet Russia had learned by experience "how to overcome difficulties" in carrying out a Communist revolution.

At yesterday's session, Premier and Foreign Minister Chou En-lai announced that China will continue to depend heavily on Soviet aid. Reporting on China's second Five Year Plan, Mr. Chou said that the country would also continue to learn from the advanced experience in construction and scientific technique of the Soviet Union and the Peoples Democracies.

Outside Soviet Sphere At the same time, Mr. Chou mentioned that China desires to trade and other ties with nations outside the Soviet sphere. He said that co-operation between China and many Asian and African countries had been helpful in "enlarging the area of peace," while contacts between China and Latin America were expanding and had a bright future. China had constantly endeavored to expand trade with Western countries, and was ready to sign a trade agreement with the U.S. and Britain and France, senior Army officers, parents of the cadets and visitors.

After the national colours were hoisted, the Chief of Staff inspected a parade of the new officers and fastened a platoon commander's pin on the lapel of the top student in the class, Yossi Yaffe.

Addressing the class, Rav-Aluf Dayan emphasized that the Israel Defence Army's source of strength lay in the fact that it did not make its fighting efficiency dependent on the superiority of arms. The army's power, he declared, was based on the country's chain of frontier settlements which can fight and hold their ground.

Not does the State of Israel rely on alliances for its defence, but would fight "relentlessly even without allies." "You are going to be commanders in an army which is beset by many serious problems," Rav-Aluf Dayan continued. "This army's days of peace are drenched with blood from Lake Kinneret down to the Eilat Road. But the Israel Defence Army is strong because its soldiers, soldiers and airmen are young men and women who have set no limits to their readiness to serve the security needs of their country."

The ceremony was concluded with a march-past by the Israel Defence Army, the Army spokesman announced yesterday.

Sgt.-Aluf Pedeh is replacing Aluf-Mishne Dr. A. Atzmon who is leaving for further professional studies abroad.

Aluf-Mishne Atzmon was appointed to his last post eight years ago, after having served as Command Medical Officer in the War of Independence, World War II he served as a Medical Officer in the Red Army.

Chess Team Last After Six Rounds

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — The Soviet Union is in the lead with 18 points after the sixth round in the top group of the Moscow Chess Olympiad, TASS, the Soviet News Agency, reported today.

Israel, with four points and four games adjourned, was in last place, six points behind Denmark.

Other classifications are: Yugoslavia, 15 points (one game adjourned); Hungary, 14 1/2; Argentina 13 1/2; Czechoslovakia 11 1/2 (two adjourned); West Germany and Switzerland 11 points each (one adjourned); England 10 1/2; Bulgaria and Rumania 10 points each (two adjourned); Denmark 7 points (one adjourned).

BURMA TURNS DOWN ISRAELI FIRM'S REQUEST

RANGOON, Monday (UP). — The Burmese Government announced today that it has turned down a request by an Israeli firm for exploration of uranium sources in Burma. The government said it would undertake the project itself.

CYPRIOIS PETITIONS TO APPEAL DENIED LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council today refused to appeal for special leave to appeal by four Cypriot terrorists, three of whom have been sentenced to death.

## MAC CONDEMNES JORDAN Meeting Lasts 11 Hours

Syria Returns Two Israelis After 24 Hours in Captivity

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS, Monday. — The two men seized by the Syrians on Israeli territory north of Lake Kinneret on Saturday afternoon were returned at the Bnot Ya'acov Bridge under U.N. auspices this afternoon after almost 48 hours of captivity.

Both men, Joshua Horowitz, 44, from Brooklyn, New York, an American citizen, and Herbert Marx, 26, from London, a British subject, were slightly wounded in the five-hour attack and pursuit which led to their capture.

The M.A.C. found that Jordan forces had opened fire on Israeli soldiers in Israeli territory, killing one and wounding three. The M.A.C. also found that Jordan forces had been dragging their bodies across the armistice lines into Jordan.

The M.A.C. expressed its regret at Jordan's failure to "abide by previous exhortations" of the M.A.C. and affirmed that it is imperative that Jordan should refrain from such acts of hostility which endanger peace in the area.

Deplores Loss of Life It was also deplored that patches and marks on the ground, blood stains on rocks showed the bodies had been dragged in the direction of the lines. The M.A.C. deplored the loss of life and the dragging of the bodies.

After the vote, the Chairman, Colonel Christian Moe, said that Jordan's "not believe" that the Israeli forces opened fire first on the Jordanian forces in view of the terrain, the commanding position held by the Jordanians and the behaviour of the Israeli soldiers before the firing started.

"While Jordan must be held responsible for this incident," he said, "it is equally true that such patrolling by the Israeli forces in the vicinity of the demarcation line, whether for map reading exercises or for other reasons, greatly contributes to increase tension. The Chief of Staff has repeatedly advised against such patrolling. The incident which we have just examined demonstrates the importance of taking the Chief of Staff's advice into most serious consideration," the chairman said.

A three-paragraph Jordanian resolution charging that the Israeli forces entered Jordan territory and opened fire on Jordanian forces received the vote of only the Jordanians, the Chairman said.

It will be recalled that the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, Gen. M. M. Barak, said last week that Jordan would be a grave responsibility if it were found that she had in fact opened fire.

Israel was represented at the meeting by Mr. Yosef Harel and Segen Levinson, Jordanian representative, by Mr. H. Harel, Director-General of the Development Ministry, Col. Sa'adi and Captain Nasif.

They drove along an unmarked track through Kfar Nahal and by 11 o'clock found themselves near the northern tip of the Kinneret, about 150 metres west of the mouth of the Jordan. They realized that they had lost their way, but learned only on their return today that they had strayed into the small southern demilitarized zone on an unmarked track.

A group of people in the distance shouted at them in Arabic, which they did not understand. Horowitz then tried to turn his jeep around, but at the same moment fire was opened at them from automatic weapons and rifles, one bullet pierced the windshield and the rear window. He and Marx were both slightly wounded by splinters. Horowitz then tried to drive back up the hill, but had to give up because the jeep was stuck.

Levant States Complain to U.N. NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — Syria and the Lebanon complained to the U.N. Security Council today about the dispatch of French troops to Cyprus.

The governments did not ask for a Security Council action on the matter, but reserved their right "as circumstances dictate" to take any action deemed necessary in conformity with the Charter.

A joint letter to Dr. Emilio Nunez-Portuondo, Cuban President of the 11-nation Council, said that "We deem it necessary to bring to the attention of the Security Council the situation created by the dispatch of French troops to Cyprus."

The first aircraft was due to be handed over to the EI Al Company in April, 1957, but it is reported here that it will be six months before required to cure troubles which have developed in the turbine engines.

It will be recalled that Israel was the first country to order Bristol Britanniya aircraft when the planes were still in the prototype stage.

ARAB LEAGUE MEETS Dr. Mahmoud Fawzi, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, yesterday afternoon presided over the opening session of the Arab League Council in Cairo.

Polio Shots Ready by Year's End Jerusalem Post Reporter Batches of Salk vaccine produced in the Ministry of Health's Virus Laboratory at Jaffa are now being sent to the Ministry for distribution. Inoculation of all Israel children between the ages of six months and three years will begin at some time between November and the early part of January, depending on when the results of the examination are received.

Prof. G. Mer, Acting Director-General of the Ministry of Health, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the inoculation programme would be completed by the first half of May.

## Dulles Denies J.S. Will Finance Detouring of Ships Round Cape

London Reticent About Loan

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Monday. — Official circles here are reticent concerning the fate of the \$500m. loan which the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, was supposed to bring to Wednesday's conference, together with a firm American promise of active support for the Anglo-French position when the Suez dispute goes to the Security Council.

It is not denied here that the granting of such a loan would be the first place in the history of the Suez Canal during the past fortnight as a counterpart to British promises to refrain from unilateral military action. No official announcement was made however.

Meanwhile, certain facts are becoming clear. Sir Anthony Eden has apparently been alarmed by the "drinking" but in the process has tried to shake Mr. Dulles to the users' association and for boycotting the Canal if necessary.

A users' boycott is estimated here to mean the diversion of 60 to 70 per cent of the traffic normally passing through Suez. It is true that Mr. Dulles is reported to be ready to accept amendments acceptable to "other nations," meaning Britain, India, Pakistan, Persia and Iraq, and secondly, the Scandinavians, who are less than enthusiastic over the plan.

Once it was felt that American policy was now charted on reasonably firm ground military tension was noticeably relaxed.

Compromise Sought This is not in contradiction to the rumours that Washington hopes for a compromise between the Indian plan and the original Dulles scheme, and that Mr. Krishna Menon's mission to Cairo has U.S. support. It is accepted here that American range policy aims at a compromise through Indian mediation.

Several foreign Ministers have emphasized that attendance at the new conference does not imply that the governments will necessarily join the projected association. Plans to set up this body were launched last week by the big three Western powers following the rejection by Nasser of the 18-nation proposal for international control of the Suez waterway.

The association would employ its own pilots and carry them aboard ships flying the flag of member states when seeking passage through the Canal. It would ask for Egyptian co-operation in plans to co-ordinate traffic through the Canal.

Pakistan's new Foreign Minister, Mr. Malik Feroz Khan Noon, who arrived in Amsterdam tonight on his way to the London conference, said that Pakistan would "positively" vote against the Suez Canal users' association at the conference "if it comes to a vote."

FRENCH LEAVE SYRIA Most of the French families in Damascus whose presence in Syria is not essential have already left. "Al-Ahram," the Egyptian daily, reported yesterday.

Traffic Via Canal Slows Down "Everything is going well. We are showing the world what we can do and are giving a service to the whole world."

Asked how soon the Russians and Yugoslavs would be put on the Canal to pilot ships, he replied, "If they can study and learn what is necessary in seven days they will begin on the Canal. Maybe it will take them longer. It all depends on the individual. Some people learn faster than others."

In Paris, M. Pierre Dumas, senior Suez Canal pilot, said last night that the Egyptians announced today that it has begun re-routing ships round the Cape of Good Hope to avoid passing through the Suez Canal.

Two ships have so far been diverted. They are the 11,500-ton liner, Marechal Joffre, on a voyage from Madagascar to France, and the 4,529-ton freighter, Irrawaddy, bound for France from the Far East ports.

U.S. ENVOY OPTIMISTIC CAIRO, Monday (UP). — The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Raymond Hare, arrived here last night and declared optimistically: "I feel that factors making for more understanding cannot fail to prevail. He is to take over the post vacated by Mr. Henry Byroade."

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